Fall 2021 Horticulture Classes

Exploring the major? Check out these courses offered next fall!

**Hort 120 Survey of Horticulture, 3 cr, offered Fall only**

**Level:** Elementary; **Breadth:** Biological Science; **L&S Credit Type:** Counts as LAS credit (L&S)

**Course Description:** Everyone needs plants! Plants feed, clothe, and heal us. They nurture our bodies and souls and they delight us. They are vices and medicines. They feed our animals and fuel our vehicles. In this course, we will explore the many ways that Horticulture, or the art and science of plant cultivation, impacts our daily lives. Through experiments, discussions, and real-world application, we will cover everything from basic plant biology to the impact of plants on society.

**Hort 234 – Ornamental Plants, 3cr, offered Fall only, taught by Johanna Oosterwyk**

Course Description: On-site identification and description, aesthetic qualities and uses, environmental requirements and adaptability of selected ornamental plants with emphasis on annuals, herbaceous perennials, and those used for interior design.

**Hort 350 – Plants and Human Wellbeing, 2cr, taught by Irwin Goldman**

**Level:** Elementary; **Breadth:** Biological Science; **L&S Credit Type:** Counts as LAS credit (L&S)

**Course Description:** Plants provide not only the foundation of food, clothing, and shelter essential for human existence, but also some of the key raw materials for transcendence and abstraction through music, art, and spirituality. Since antiquity, we have co-evolved with plants and their derivative products, with each exerting a domesticating force on the other. It is, for example, impossible to think of our modern life without its plant-based accompaniments in the form of cotton, sugar, bread, coffee, and wood. Yet they are so ubiquitous we may forget they all derive from plants discovered, domesticated, bred, and farmed for millennia in a never-ending pursuit to improve our wellbeing. This course will explore major points of intersection between plants and human wellbeing from a horticultural point of view. Each week, we will highlight a plant or group of plants that represent a primary commodity or resource through which humans have pursued their own aims. We will examine this plant with hands-on demonstrations and produce extracts and preparations to more deeply explore its effects and impacts in human society. *Also offered online summer 2021*

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